

1 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
2 DISTRICT OF NEVADA

3 UNIVERSAL ENTERTAINMENT
4 CORPORATION,

5 Plaintiff,

6 v.

7 ARUZE GAMING AMERICA, INC., et al.,

8 Defendants.

Case No.: 2:18-cv-00585-RFB-NJK

ORDER

[Docket Nos. 263, 278]

9 Pending before the Court is Defendants' motion to compel discovery responses. Docket
10 Nos. 263 (sealed motion), 278 (redacted motion). The Court has considered Defendants' motion,
11 Plaintiff's response, and Defendants' reply. Docket Nos. 263, 284, 288. The motion is properly
12 resolved without a hearing. *See* Local Rule 78-1.

13 The instant discovery dispute arises out of Plaintiff's assertion of attorney-client privilege
14 over its communications with attorneys of the City-Yuwa Partners Law Firm based in Japan.
15 Whether attorney-client privilege applies to the challenged communications therefore implicates
16 foreign law issues. *Bartech Sys. Int'l, Inc. v. Mobile Simple Sol., Inc.*, 2018 WL 834589, at *7 (D.
17 Nev. Feb. 12, 2018). The parties, however, fail to address whether American or Japanese law
18 applies to the instant discovery dispute.¹

19 Accordingly, Defendants' motion to compel is hereby **DENIED** without prejudice. Docket
20 Nos. 263, 278.

21 IT IS SO ORDERED.

22 Dated: January 28, 2021

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24 Nancy J. Koppe
25 United States Magistrate Judge
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28 ¹ The Court has a duty to properly articulate and apply the law. *See, e.g., Bateman v. U.S. Postal Serv.*, 231 F.3d 1220, 1224 (9th Cir. 2000).